

Intimations

Abundant Baptismal Blessings recently bestowed on Oliver Michael O'Donnell. "Since in Jesus... we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed" [cf Heb 4:14]

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: Dorothy Starkey, Jim Reilly, John Carberry, Mary (born Owens) McCormack, Eileen Reilly, Mark Conner, Paddy Murphy, Nicola Blake, John Myles, Catherine Curry, Jim Curry, Gena Caddle, Helen (born Shaw) McGarry, Edward Deerin, Anna (born Curran) Murphy

And for the happy repose of the souls of...

Recently Dead: Charles "Charlie" Fearon [*Balloch- Eastfield; Receive:* Thursday at 6.30pm; *Funeral Mass* on Friday at 10am], Francis Carrigan [*Westfield*], Mrs Martha McIvor, Anne Marie McCarthy [*Florida, USA*], Annie (born Feeney) Conway, Liza Welsh, Mrs Suzanne Tierney, Sir David Amess MP, Jean (born Friel) Marley, Thomas "Tam" Curran, James Gallagher, Fr George Smith M.Af.,

6 Months' Mind Hugh Rae

Anniversaries: James "Jim" Bradley, Jean McCann, John Scott, Richard "Dick" O'Raw, Tom Devine, Denis Mellon, Hugh & Agnes Brown, Cissie Brown, Michael Waters, Betty Rooney, Frank Caffrey [5th], Tom Murray [8th], Baby Ellie- Claire Rose [13th], Sean Murray [20th], Betty & Peter Tobin and Deceased members of their family, Frances Gilmour [14th], Margie McGuire, Iride Kane [2nd], Rev Sr Roberta (Rena) McLaren [1st], Annie Sharkey [*Portadown*], James Dickie (*Jnr*), Michelle Taggart, Paul Waters, James Nash, Tommy Slaven, Nancy Slaven, Teresa Slaven, John Mulholland, James "Forrie" Forsyth [5th], Hugh Lang, Pat Lafferty [6th]

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *Frei Glavão*; Tuesday: *St Chad & St Cedd*; Wednesday: *St Otteran*; Thursday: *Sts Simon & Jude*; Friday: *St Coleman*, Saturday: *St Marcellus, St Thøger*; (Sunday: *Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time [B]*)

Act of Spiritual Communion When unable to attend *Holy Mass* you may wish to recite: "My *Jesus*, I believe that *You* are present in the most *Holy Sacrament of the Altar*. I love *You* above all things and I desire to receive *You* into my soul. Since I cannot now receive *You* sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart (*pause*)... I embrace *You* as if *You* were already there and unite myself wholly to *You*. Never permit me to be separated from *You*. Amen." *St Alphonsus Liguori*

Prayer for this Year of St Joseph (to be recited at end of *Mass* on Wednesdays, barring a funeral): "Hail, *Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. To you *God* entrusted his only *Son*; in you *Mary* placed her trust; with you *Christ* became man. *Blessed Joseph*, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen." *Pope Francis*

Holy Cross

23rd / 24th October 2021

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time [B]


Jer 31: 7-9; Ps 125 "What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad;" Heb 5: 1-6;

Mk 10: 46-52



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Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed July 2017

COVID- 19 Masks to be worn (unless exempt); "Track & Tracing" is suspended (after a Risk-Assessment). Receiving *Holy Communion* (*low Gluten Hosts* available): you may receive *Holy Communion* on the tongue at the very end of the *Communion Procession*. We may sing, and with *Hymn Books*. Kneelers not yet in use- you may bring your own cushion etc.

Holy Mass Saturday Vigil at 6pm, *Sundays* at 9.30am & 11.40am. No *Sunday Mass Obligation*. *Mass* is Streamed Live on *Parish YouTube Page*, via *Parish's Website & Parish Facebook*, search "Holy Cross, Croy" all courtesy *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

Baptisms Normally at 12.45am (in an emergency anyone can *Baptise*- usually Midwife/ Doctor)

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession: on Saturdays 10.30am- 11am and 6.40- 7pm at *Wheelchair Access Door of Church Building*. Please stand.

Anointing of & Holy Communion to the Sick/ unable to attend Mass contact the *Chapel House*. *Care Homes & Hospitals* have own Protocols to be followed. Ask Staff to Contact the RC Chaplain.

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal on Tuesdays & *Prayer to St Joseph* on Wednesdays **Bulletins & LARGE PRINT** Bulletins: safer to view on-line; either *Parish Website* or *Facebook Page*; also available in *Porch Area & at Door of Chapel House*- use sanitised hands.

Parish Safeguarding: Tel: 07707868421/ 07598976603 or email: holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk *Policy Document* available <https://www.bcos.org.uk/InGodsImageV2/tabid/131/Default.aspx>

Hall Bookings: Maximum at present, 100 persons. At present only allow ONE Hire per day is permitted- to allow for good "airing" and for the Seat covers to be changed (where necessary) email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1- 2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716)

Month of the Holy Souls November Lists are available on the *Altar Rails*. Please complete & return. Annual *Blessing of the Graves* at *Eastfield Cemetery* will be held on Sunday, 7th November at 3pm- courtesy of North Lanarkshire Council (hopefully this will be recorded & uploaded later- *FaceBook & YouTube* and courtesy of the *Stream Team*). Due to COVID there will be no Staff on duty & no Toilets available. *Mass for the Bereaved of the Past Year* (until mid- September 2021) will be held only at 7pm Mass on Monday, 8th Nov (due to COVID). Well done *Parish Bereavement Group*.

A *Plenary Indulgence* for the *Souls in Purgatory* is available from Middy 1st Nov to Midnight on 2nd Nov in any Church, in addition for visiting a cemetery and praying for those buried there, from 1st- 8th Nov. Mass on *All Souls Day* (Tuesday 2nd November) will be at 10am and 7pm.

Remembrance Sunday on Sunday 14th Nov. after 11.40am Mass the *Service of Remembrance* at the *Shrine to the Fallen* will be held (uploaded later courtesy of Holy Cross *Stream Team*). *Croy Silver Band* has kindly arranged the poignant “Last Post.”

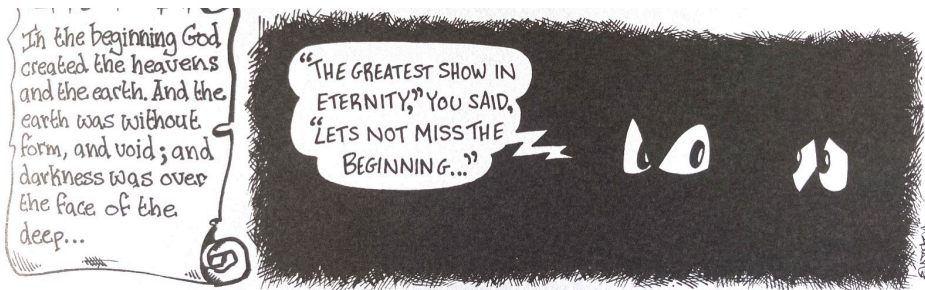
Year of St Joseph A Statue of *St Joseph the Worker* at the outside Quadrangle (South Nave) is being erected (courtesy of *C M Builders*). After consultation, the *Mens’s Acoustic Night* generously agreed to pay for the *Statue* (and the Parish for the *Plinth*). It was further proposed that the *Dedication* be in Memory of the *Men, Women & Children* of the Parish who worked in the *Mines* RIP.

P7 Confirmation at 6.30pm on Monday 1st November for *Holy Cross Primary* and on Wednesday 3rd November for *St Andrew’s Primary*. These will be Live- streamed courtesy of the *Stream Team*. Parents visit: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/16QrWwErZ1W1DNfSjpy-aMiAAExRMj6v9?usp=sharing>. Please keep the *Confirmandi* in your prayers.

¿**Thinking about becoming a Roman Catholic?** *RCLA Group* will meet on Tuesday 2nd November at 7.30pm in the Church Building. If you know of someone who is thinking about becoming an RC, bring this notice to their attention (& accompany them?).

Pope Francis’ Synodal Pathway: *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission*; III. Speaking Out Dioceses across Scotland are beginning a ‘big conversation’ following a call by Pope Francis for a Synod on a theme of Synodality. Pope Francis suggests that we listen to one another, but who is speaking out on behalf of those in the pews and those who no longer attend mass. Are Church leaders articulating the thoughts of the laity? Does the Catholic Media speak to and on behalf of church members? Pope Francis is asking the Scottish bishops to listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the people of God. Perhaps now is the time for us all to listen, participate, express our thoughts and communicate our faith. Comments or by email (holycross.croy@rcag.org.uk) or by post (to the *Chapel House*).

At the dawn of Creation (see Gen 1)...



New parish Logo After consultation at Various Parish levels and the Web- site Sub Committee we have a new logo. We hope you like it! This will be incorporated into the new Parish Website and Parish Stationery.



The Logo was created by the kindness of 25WestDesign and specifically Derek Bryce Creative Director, 25 West Design LTD M: 07887483627 DD: 01236 455660 derek@25westdesign.co.uk and www.25westdesign.co.uk Many many thanks!

Mission Sunday Amount raised= £1,200. Visit www.missioscotland.com. Texting MISSIOSCOT to 70085 will donate a default £3, while MISSIOSCOT with any number between 1- 20 after, will donate your desired amount (e.g. MISSIOSCOT10 will donate £10).

October Devotions The *Litany of Our Lady* and the *Prayer to St Joseph* are recited at the end of Mass on “October Mondays” (barring a funeral). This would then allow families & households simply to recite the *Rosary* itself at home (or before *Mass*).

Bereavement Group meets Tuesday 26th October at 7.30pm. If willing to assist in this important matter, please attend *Parish Hall*.

COP 26 SCIAF & Justice & Peace Group are providing assistance to a group of pilgrims from Poland, Sweden and elsewhere who are making their way to COP26 in Glasgow. The COP Visitors arrive from Falkirk on Thursday 28th October & then walk to Glasgow on Friday 29th along the Forth & Clyde Canal. Sleeping space in our hall & some hospitality is being provided. If you wish to join them for a section/ see them off, then be at the front gates at 9am on Friday, 29th Oct. The pilgrims aim to speak out in support of the most vulnerable in our world who will be most affected if our common home is not better cared for. “God said ‘Till the earth and care for it’.” [cf. Gen 2: 15].

Torchlight Procession Repeal of the Abortion Act on Thursday 28th Oct at George Sq., Glasgow. *Rosary* begins at 6.30pm followed by *Procession* to Cathedral, Clyde St. SPUC 0141 221 2094

Helpful Words for those who have had an abortion from *Pope John Paul II*: “I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. Try rather to understand what happened and face it honestly. If you have not already done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the *Sacrament of Reconciliation*. To the same Father and his mercy you can with sure hope entrust your child. With the friendly and expert help and advice of other people, and as a result of your own painful experience, you can be among the most eloquent defenders of everyone’s right to life. Through your commitment to life, whether by accepting the birth of other children or by welcoming and caring for those most in need of someone to be close to them, you will become promoters of a new way of looking at human life.”
Evangelium Vitae n.99

Parish Youth Ministry online Training & Support: If you would be interested in starting a youth group or would like some more information and training, RCAG YOUTH are offering the following sessions via Zoom: *How to Put a Young Adult’s Night Together* [2nd November]; *How to Speak to Young People* [16th November]; *How to Pray with Young People* [30th November]. Regarding *Holy Cross Croy* Parish, please also see Fr Joe.